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Dear Sirs,

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We enclose a copy of the search report received in this case together with a copy of each of the cited references.

Please note that the recent British specification of Imperial was not published at the filing date of the present application and so can only be cited for reasons of strict novelty (corresponding to Section 102 USC) against matter having a later priority date. The Imperial application was filed on 12th November 1980 but itself claims priority from November, 1979. Any matter common to the 1979 and 1980 Imperial specifications must have an earlier priority date than anything in the present application, but we will reserve judgment on the effect of this document until we have had time to study and possibly discuss the contents of the various references.

Amended claims filed at once will be published with the application, but we expect the notice of publication to issue quite soon, although it will still be possible to file amended claims for the purposes of examination.

Our debit note is enclosed.

Yours faithfully,

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